

**In the Specification:**

Delete the last partial paragraph on page 4 of the specification (i.e., the text which runs from lines 21-28), and replace it with the following:

"Referring to Fig. 1, a portion of a slurry casting system is shown in cross-section, including a level control system, designated generally by reference numeral 10, for controlling the thickness of slurry 12. The slurry casting system includes a moving belt 14 on which slurry 12 is carried in the direction indicated by arrow [[20]] 19. Slurry 12 is sourced by a slurry reservoir 15 which includes a front wall 16 (also known as a "blade"), a rear wall 18, and two connecting side walls (not shown) extending therebetween to form a box-like container positioned over moving belt 14. Slurry reservoir 15 is filled with a supply of slurry 20 that is dispensed onto moving belt 14. Note that front wall 16 does not extend all the way down to moving belt 14; accordingly, a"